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CAPT. KYLE M. WALTON

Captain Kyle M. Walton, 29, is a native of Carmel, Ind. He volunteered for military service after high school and entered the Army in September 1997, attending the United States Military Academy. He majored in Arabic and Spanish and was commissioned in 2001, as a second lieutenant in the Infantry.

Following the Infantry Officers Basic Course and Ranger School, he was assigned as an airborne infantry rifle platoon leader in the 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment. In July 2002, he deployed to Khowst, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In August 2003, he led his second platoon to Fallujah, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

He was then assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Special Operations Command as the company executive officer, deploying again to Bagram, Afghanistan, in May 2005, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In June 2005, he attended the Infantry Officers Advanced Course.



Following the Advanced Course, he began the Special Forces Qualification Course, earning the coveted Green Beret in March 2007. He was assigned to Charlie Company, 3rd Bn., 3rd SFG(A) at Fort Bragg, N.C., as a Special Forces detachment commander. He deployed to Jalalabad, Afghanistan, in October 2007, with Special Forces Operational Detachment-Alpha 3336, combat advising the 201st Commando Battalion.

Walton's military education includes the Infantry Officer Basic Course, Ranger School, Combat Lifesaver Course, Jumpmaster Course, Master Fitness Trainer Course, Individual Terrorism Awareness Course, Emergency Medical Technician Course, Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Level II Course, Infantry Officers Advanced Course, Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape Course, Hazardous Material Awareness and Operations Course, Defense Language Institute Arabic Course, Special Forces Officer Qualification Course, and Airborne School.

His awards and decorations include three Bronze Star Medals, two Army Commendation Medals, Army Achievement Medal, Valorous Unit Award, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Iraq Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutists Badge, Ranger Tab, and Special Forces Tab. He also has foreign Jump Wings from Poland.

Walton's parents are Lee and Gary Walton, of Carmel, Ind., and Boca Raton, Fla., respectively. He has two younger brothers, Cory and Cole Walton.

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